

Patient Centered Approaches and the Delivery of Quality Healthcare

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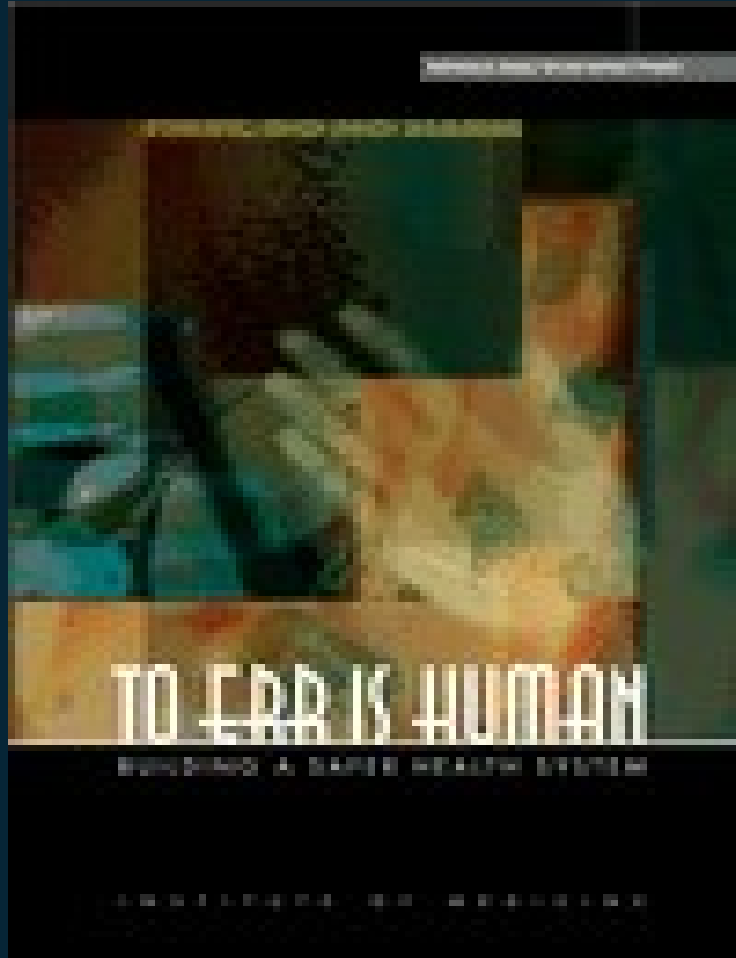
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To Err Is Human: Building A Safer Health System



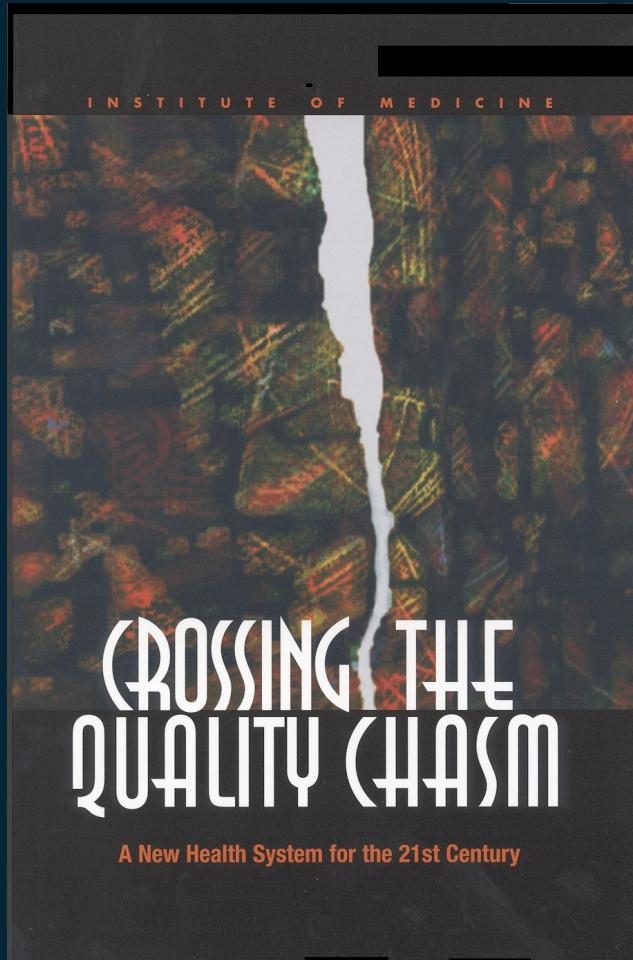
First Report

**Committee on
Quality of Health Care
in America**

Key Findings

- **Errors occur because of system failures**
- **Preventing errors means designing safer systems of care**

Crossing the Quality Chasm



Second Report

Committee on Quality of Health Care in America

Studies Documenting the “Quality Gap”

Literature review conducted by RAND

- **Over 70 studies documenting quality shortcomings**

Large gaps between the care people should receive and the care they do receive

- **true for preventive, acute and chronic**
- **across all health care settings**
- **all age groups and geographic areas**

Major Forces Influencing Health Care

- **Expanding Knowledge Base**
- **Information Technology**
- **Chronic Care Needs**
- **Payment Policies**

Information Technology

Internet has enormous potential to improve care, yet health care delivery relatively untouched by IT

IT Can Improve Quality

- ***Safety*** -- computerized physician order-entry reduced adverse drug events by 84% (Bates, 2001)
- ***Effectiveness*** -- reminder systems and computer assisted diagnosis and management improves compliance with practice guidelines (Durieux, 2000; Evans, 1998)
- ***Patient-Centered*** -- Internet can provide access to clinical knowledge, online support groups, customized health education and disease management messages

IT Can Improve Quality

- ***Timeliness*** -- mothers receiving computer-generated reminders had 25% higher on-time immunization rate for their infants (Alemi, 1996)
- ***Efficiency*** -- 9% of redundant lab tests at a hospital could be eliminated using a computerized system (Bates, 1998)
- ***Equity*** -- Internet-based health communication can improve access and provide a broader array of options for interacting with clinicians

Increased Chronic Care Needs

- **About 100 million people (40% of population) have one or more chronic conditions**
- **Chronic conditions account for more than two-thirds of health care expenditures (Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, 1996)**
- **80/20 Rule: Limited number of conditions account for most of these health care expenditures (Ray et al., 2000)**

Delivery System Inadequate

- **Dearth of clinical programs with infrastructure to provide full complement of services to chronically ill (Wagner, 1996)**
- **Physician groups and hospitals operate as silos without benefit of complete information**

Chronic Care Delivery Models

- **Planned, systematic approach**
- **Attention to information and self-management needs of patients**
- **Multi-disciplinary teams**
- **Extensive coordination required across settings and clinicians, and over time**
- **Unfettered and timely access to clinical information is critical**

Barriers to Quality Inherent in Payment Policies

Current payment policies are complex and contradictory, and often work *against* efforts to improve quality.

Five Part Agenda for Change

- **Commit to a shared agenda of six aims for improvement**
- **Adopt “10 rules” to guide the redesign of care processes**
- **Focus initial efforts on a set of priority conditions**
- **Implement more effective organizational supports**
- **Create an environment that fosters improvement**

Aims For Improvement

- **Safe**
- **Timely**
- **Effective**
- **Efficient**
- **Patient-centered**
- **Equitable**

Ten Rules To Redesign Care

- 1. Care based on continuous healing relationships**
- 2. Customization based on patient needs and values**
- 3. Patient as source of control**
- 4. Shared knowledge and free flow of information**
- 5. Evidence-based decision making**

Ten Rules To Redesign Care

6. **Safety as a systems property**
7. **Transparency**
8. **Anticipation of needs**
9. **Continuous decrease in waste**
10. **Cooperation among clinicians**

Information Technology

- **There must be a renewed national commitment to building an information infrastructure to support health care delivery, consumer health, quality measurement and improvement, public accountability, clinical and health services research, and clinical education.**
- **This commitment should lead to the elimination of most handwritten clinical data by 2010**

Payment

- **Purchasers should examine their current payment methods to remove barriers that impede quality improvement, and to build in stronger incentives for quality enhancement**
- **HCFA and AHRQ should identify and evaluate various options for better aligning current payment methods with quality improvement goals**

Summary

American health care is beset by serious problems, but they are not intractable. The committee envisions a system that uses the best knowledge, that is focused intensely on patients, and that works across health care providers and settings. Achieving this ideal will require crossing a large chasm between today's system and the possibilities of tomorrow.

Success Stories

- **Iowa Health System**
 - **75% decrease ADE in one year**
- **St. Joseph Medical Center, Illinois**
 - **50% reduction ADE - <1year**
- **Safety leadership Walk Rounds**
- **Safety Briefings**

Important Tools

- **Computerized Physician Order Entry (CPOE)**
- **Electronic Medical Record**
- **Patient Safety Indicators (AHRQ)**
- **Voluntary National Reporting Systems**
- **Proprietary Error Reporting Systems**

FDA Responses

- **Bar Codes (VA)**
- **15 day reporting**
- **Safety Center**

Disease Management Programs

- **Improved Outcomes**
- **Decreased Costs**
- **Increasing Commercialization**
- **Role of Physician**
- **Motivation for Cost Reduction**

20th

- **Autonomy**
- **Solo Practice**
- **Continuous Learning**
- **Blame / Shame**
- **Knowledge**

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- **Teamwork**
- **Systems**
- **Continuous Improvement**
- **Problem Solving**
- **Change**

Education

- **Systems Analysis**
- **Multiple Professionals**
- **Change / Improvement**
- **Team Functioning**
- **Evidence-Based Care**

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